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## AGRIBUSINESS HAS \$51.8 BILLION ANNUAL ECONOMIC IMPACT IN SOUTH CAROLINA

**"50 BY 20" GOAL EXCEEDED**

BY SCDA

COLUMBIA – The agribusiness industry has a \$51.8 billion economic impact on South Carolina each year, according to a new analysis. Agribusiness is responsible for 259,215 jobs and \$12.3 billion in annual labor income in the state as of 2020.

These numbers represent a major milestone achieved for South Carolina's agribusiness community. In 2009, the state's industry and government leaders set a strategic vision to grow the economic impact of agribusiness to \$50 billion annually by the year 2020. The 50 by 20 plan helped the industry increase its impact from \$34 billion in 2006.

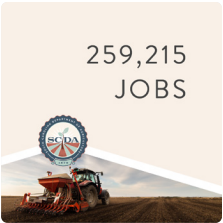
"We didn't reach this goal by accident; it took collaboration, strategic planning, and a lot of hard work," said Commissioner of Agriculture Hugh Weathers. "From farmers to foresters, from poultry plants to paper mills, from turfgrass to high-tech tractor repair, agribusiness has an enormous impact on South Carolina, and we're proud of it."

Since laying out the 50 by 20 goal, the South Carolina Department of Agriculture and its partners have worked to expand the Certified South Carolina program, created the Agribusiness Center for Research and Entrepreneurship (ACRE) to nurture and fund new agribusiness entrepreneurs, and developed new expansion and export opportunities to grow South Carolina agribusinesses.

"It's no surprise to anyone who's paying attention that the agribusiness industry has achieved this important milestone," said Gov. Henry McMaster. "Over the years, South Carolina's economy has changed and grown dramatically, but our farmers and others in the agribusiness industry have been a constant and have always helped lead the way."

"Agribusiness has long been a pillar of South Carolina's economy, and its contribution is continuing to grow," said Dr. Joseph Von Nessen, a research economist with the University of South Carolina Darla Moore School of Business and author of the study. "The industry expanded by 40 percent between 2010 and 2020."

The study is available on the South Carolina Department of Agriculture website at [agriculture.sc.gov/wp-content/uploads/2022/12/Economic-Impact-Study-Nov-2022.pdf](https://agriculture.sc.gov/wp-content/uploads/2022/12/Economic-Impact-Study-Nov-2022.pdf).



Under the leadership of Commissioner Hugh Weathers, the economic impact of agribusiness in South Carolina has grown to \$51.8 billion as of 2020.



Gov. Henry McMaster, Dr. Joey Von Nessen, SC Forestry Association CEO Cam Crawford, and Commissioner Hugh Weathers made the announcement.

### COMMISSIONER'S CORNER



HUGH E. WEATHERS

SOUTH CAROLINA  
COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE

### THE YEAR AHEAD

**H**appy New Year! I hope you all had a blessed Christmas and peaceful holiday season and are starting the year rested and eager for the work ahead. Here at the Department of Agriculture, we've been busy planning for the year to come – and the years after that. As you can read in this issue of *Market Bulletin*, South Carolina agribusiness reached an enormous milestone over the previous decade by growing to where the impact of our industry is \$51.8 billion a year, a 40% growth from 2010 to 2020.

But we're not stopping there. We know there's a lot more potential economic impact to be captured. We asked Dr. Von Nessen, who conducted the economic impact analysis, to quantify that potential, and he found that South Carolina imported approximately \$11.7 billion in agribusiness products from outside the state each year for consumer consumption. If this demand were to be captured by South Carolina operations, it would increase the total value of agribusiness in the state by another 23%. We've asked the General Assembly to allocate \$75 million for a new Growing Agribusiness development fund to help realize that potential. Through the use of grants, we'll help South Carolina agribusinesses like meat, poultry, and seafood processors expand and keep more dollars in the state. We'll look for projects that will add to

production agriculture in South Carolina. Another order of business this time of year is meetings. Don't miss the opportunity to learn and network within your corner of the ag industry. Here are a few important ones coming up:

- Southeast Regional Fruit and Veg Conference, January 5–8 in Savannah, GA
- Our agency is hosting Produce Safety Grower Trainings throughout the year, starting with one on January 11 in Columbia.
- SC Watermelon Association Annual Convention, January 13–15, Hilton Head
- SC Agritourism Conference January 22–24 - Darlington, Florence, Horry, and Sumter counties
- SC Cotton Annual Meeting, January 24, Bishopville
- SC Peanut Annual Meeting, January 26, Santee
- SC Green Conference and Trade Show, January 26–27, Columbia
- SC Specialty Food Association annual meeting, January 31, West Columbia
- SC Pork Board, February 2

January is also the time to complete your Census of Agriculture if you haven't done so already. Stand up for South Carolina agriculture by filling yours out today.

*Hugh Weathers*

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tiny Farm Visits

This is a 1-hour scheduled private appointment. These visits are perfect for families, tourists, or those who need a break from the city! Our farm visits will include a tour of our property, unlimited picture/videos, and lots of snuggles with our sweet animals! Treats will be included as these visits are interactive! You may bring BYOB if you'd like. \$20/ adult, \$10/age 12 & under, FREE age 1 & under.

Lane Tiny Farm

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704-651-9818 • [paige.laneh@gmail.com](mailto:paige.laneh@gmail.com)  
[facebook.com/lanetinyfarm](https://facebook.com/lanetinyfarm)

Produce Safety Rule Grower Training

January 11 • 8:30 am – 5 pm  
Fruit and vegetable growers and others interested in learning about produce safety, the Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) Produce Safety Rule and food safety. The PSA Grower Training Course is one way to satisfy the FSMA Produce Safety Rule requirement that ‘At least one supervisor or responsible party for your farm must have successfully completed food safety training’. Registration is required. Registration Fees: \$20 in-state attendees / \$100 out-of-state attendees.  
**SCDA Buddy Building**  
350 Ballard Court, West Columbia  
Contact: Brooke Horton  
803-351-1244 • [bhorton@scda.sc.gov](mailto:bhorton@scda.sc.gov)  
[bit.ly/SCpsrColumbia2023](https://bit.ly/SCpsrColumbia2023)

Connection Camp

January 13 • 10 am – 1 pm  
A Connection Camp Day includes settling in to the barn atmosphere through mindfulness exercises, interactive exploration with the animals, farm chores, and community building with other campers. There will be an introduction to Connection-based training with the horses on the ground, and we'll take our new-found awareness into the ring with the horses where we'll explore more groundwork or riding, depending on the length of the camp, or learn to problem solve the questions that come up as we learn how to speak horse language and in turn learn so much about ourselves. We'll use art and writing in fun ways and experiential learning in nature as ways to document our horse journey.  
**Bramblewood Stables**  
175 McConnell Road, Taylors  
864-322-7979 • [bramblewoodstables@gmail.com](mailto:bramblewoodstables@gmail.com)  
[facebook.com/bramblewoodstables](https://facebook.com/bramblewoodstables)

What to Expect When You're Expecting Baby Goats and Lambs

January 14 • 9 am – 4 pm  
This is the favorite class of the year! Learn how to help deliver a baby goat or lamb as well as how to hold, feed, and care for them too!  
**Whispering Pines Stables**  
681 Campbell Bridge Road, Seneca  
Tickets: [bit.ly/3iZYobO](https://bit.ly/3iZYobO)

Vendor Market Second Saturday

January 14 • 10 am – 2 pm  
Join us for our second Saturday vendor market and come check out the local farms, artists, jewelry makers, soap makers, food truck for lunch, and live music!  
**Boondock Farms**  
755 Foreman Street, Jackson  
706-589-4920  
[boondockfarms.com](https://boondockfarms.com)

SC Green Conference and Trade Show

January 26 & 27 • 7:30 am – 5 pm  
There will be over 100 exhibitors, pesticide, arborist, irrigation, lighting, and business classes. The event will also have a keynote speaker: Jeffery Scott.  
1101 Lincoln Street, Columbia  
Contact: SC Green  
803-939-6884  
[scgreen.org/sc-green-conference-trade-show](https://scgreen.org/sc-green-conference-trade-show)

SC Peanut Growers Annual Meeting

January 26 • 8:30 am – 4 pm  
Registration begins at 8:30 am. Lunch will be provided. Trade show booths will open at 8:30 am. Sponsored by the South Carolina Peanut Board and Clemson Cooperative Extension.  
**Santee Conference Center**  
1737 Bass Drive, Santee  
Contact: Marianne Catalano  
803-734-0338 • [mcatalano@scda.sc.gov](mailto:mcatalano@scda.sc.gov)

SALES & AUCTIONS

Claxton's Auction

January 7 & 14 • 11 am – 5 pm  
Special Sale Januar 15 • 1 pm  
Every Saturday. Equine, cows, sheep, goats, pigs, camelots, ratites, poultry, and small animals.  
18627 Lowcountry Hwy, Ruffin  
Contact: William Claxton  
843-909-4285 • [wlcjr@yahoo.com](mailto:wlcjr@yahoo.com)

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3483 Charleston Highway West Columbia, SC 29172 803-737-4664	1354 Rutherford Road Greenville, SC 29609 864-244-4023	2513 W. Lucas Street Florence, SC 29501 843-665-5154	Click on the State Farmers Markets button for more information about each location

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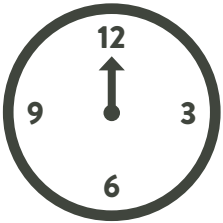
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CATTLE

<b>ANG COW/CALF PRS</b> reg & PB, good marbling & EPD's, qual beef producers, \$3000/pr Jason Wilkie Lexington 803-600-2438	<b>2 Y/O ZEBU BULL</b> spotted, parents on site, text pls, \$500 obo Jennifer Smolensky Colleton 843-599-2987	<b>REG RED DEVON</b> M & F, \$750, 1 yr or less; \$1500/adults, most females are bred, del avail Ottis Wagner York 704-609-4912	<b>REG YRLG SIMANG</b> & Hrfrd bulls, AI sired, calving ease, vaccinated & on feed, \$2500+ Wayne Garber Laurens 864-923-0581	<b>BELTED GALLOWAY BULL</b> B-3/21, wide wht belt, 1000 lbs, should mature to 1500+ lbs, \$1250 Mike Gainey Greenville 864-616-3205	<b>REG BULLS</b> Ang, SimAng & Ultrablk, comp EPD's & passed fertility exam, \$3500+ Kevin Yon Saluda 803-622-8597
<b>FB RED POLL YRLG BULLS</b> open & bred hefrs, cow/calf prs, \$1800-2500 J Wyatt Marlboro 803-651-3086	<b>REG &amp; COMM BULLS</b> & hefrs, hefrs exposed to reg bull, low BW, gentle, \$1200-2500 Bobby Baker Lancaster 803-804-2230	<b>BLK ANG BULLS</b> PB, nearly 3 y/o, \$2300+ Mike Johnson Newberry 864-923-0750	<b>REG &amp; COMM ANG</b> & SimAng hefrs, open, ready to breed, vac & on feed, \$1400 Jordan Nabors Laurens 864-923-5985	<b>REG BLK ANG BULLS</b> 15-26 m/o, calving ease, easy to keep, \$1500-3500; Bred cows, \$1750 Marc Renwick Newberry 803-271-8691	<b>6 Y/O REG HRFRD BULL</b> Mead Trust 100, \$3000; (2) 13 m/o hefrs, 6 y/o bulls daughters, \$950 Herb Powers Laurens 864-684-0290
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<b>2-BTM TURN PLOW</b> Long mod #2014, \$250; 11' cult, w/HD frame, \$215; both 3ph Carl Agner Cherokee 864-490-0156	<b>JD 915 FLEX HDR</b> in GC, \$3500 Otto Williamson Williamsburg 843-372-2692	<b>IH 1020 HDR AUGER</b> 15', \$400; NH rnd baler, \$2700 Charles Nichols Saluda 864-445-8350	<b>GYROTRAC FORESTRY MULCHING HEAD</b> high/low flow head, 500 hrs on head, GC, work ready, \$16,500 Dakota Hollman Lexington 803-687-6382	<b>6' BUSH HOG</b> GC, FR, slip clutch, faded paint, \$1500 M Wilson Spartanburg 864-595-1136	<b>LIME/FERT/SEED SPRDR</b> \$5000; MP360 Baumalight mulcher, \$8000; chipper, \$1000; all PTO driven, 3 ph & LNC Terry Ulmer Hampton 803-943-2011
<b>'92 FORD F700 DUMP TRUCK</b> dsl, PS, auto, air brakes, \$7000 obo Bill Laney Chesterfield 843-672-8165	<b>MF 1080</b> \$9500; JD 4720 4wd ldr, \$32,000; Cat D7F, \$35,000; MF 1105, \$15,000; JD 3020, \$10,000 Ronald McGraw Lancaster 980-255-8584	<b>'04 MF 451 TRACTOR</b> 2 wd, 1080 hrs, EC, has 1040 ldr, extra remote hyd, \$16,500; 18' Hudson trl, \$2000 Harry Fudge Chester 803-984-7825	<b>MF SQ BALER</b> \$2500; FA 400 dsl, \$1000; combine, \$1500; FA M, \$800 Jack Holbrook Anderson 864-314-1145	<b>FORD 50 HP TRACTOR</b> gas, new lift cyl, PTO shaft, starter, alt, tires, carb, frt end, & new spare parts, \$5975 Tom Kirkley Lancaster 803-246-8195	<b>OFFSET HARROW</b> HD Taylorway 20 disc, VGC, w/cyl & hoses, new tires, \$2500 Debo Jacks Laurens 864-923-0522
<b>2 USED 3500 BU GRAIN BINS</b> GC, disassembled, \$6000; Bush Hog 7 shank V ripper, VGC, \$3500 Will Culbertson Laurens 864-981-2474	<b>'66 FORD 2000 TRACTOR</b> gas, 39hp, 2825 hrs, new paint, tires, shed kept, \$5500 obo Joey McDowell Spartanburg 864-494-9786	<b>NH RND BALER</b> 4'x5', net wrap, \$1500 James Livingston Lexington 803-290-0093	<b>INTL 140 TRACTOR</b> \$2500; Hardee pull type spryr, 150 gals, \$1500 obro George E Hutson Barnwell 803-671-0044	<b>'57 FORD 800 TRACTOR</b> gas, rebuilt engine, 40 hp, GRC, \$5000; 3'L scrape blade, 3 ph, \$200; both shed kept Mary Dutcher Sumter 803-453-5178	<b>AIRSTREAM GSI 110 CORN DRYER</b> continuous flow/batch, \$10,500 Doraine Wannamaker Calhoun 803-707-1113
<b>HINOMOTO E18 TRACTOR</b> dsl, 2 cyl, 3ph, GC, \$2000 Jack Kay Greenville 864-419-1322	<b>JD 6300 W/JD620 LDR</b> \$35,000; Krone AM283 disc mwr, \$8500; Pequea whl rake, \$7500; Krone tedder, \$7500 Otis Hembree Spartanburg 864-316-1222	<b>ROTARY CUTTER/BUSH HOG</b> Woods RC5, NC, \$1500 Gary Blackwell Spartanburg 864-809-8323	<b>JD 4710 SPRYR</b> \$52,000; KMC 4r ripper spider, \$1600; JD 328 baler accumultr, grapple, \$16,000 Jeffrey Gilmore Chesterfield 843-517-0315	<b>CASE THRESHER</b> \$1000; JD grain binder & hay press, \$900 ea; more, all antiq Ed Long Laurens 864-505-6765	<b>MF 231S</b> 1400 hrs, \$7500; JD 450B dozer, 6 way blade, root rake, \$15,500; 10' Woods 3pt bush hog, \$3200 Jack Hurst Chesterfield 863-921-8574
<b>3 PH POST HOLE DIGGER</b> Bush Hog PHD2101, 9" auger, used, VGC, \$700 E Jeter Union 803-917-6243	<b>JD 457 RD BALER</b> net/string, EC, shed kept, 9203 lb bales on monitor, \$15,500 obo Michael Bishop Jasper 803-942-3304	<b>9' NH 488 HAY BINE</b> \$1500; 8 whl hay rake, new whls, \$2000 cash Tony Culick Williamsburg 843-382-8550	<b>BROWN BRUSH CUTTER</b> new blades & bolts, 6'W w/a 1000 rpm PTO, \$5000 Kenneth Chicos Laurens 276-445-5771	<b>'57 FORD 800 TRACTOR</b> gas, rebuilt engine, 40 hp, GRC, \$5000; 3'L scrape blade, 3 ph, \$200; both shed kept Mary Dutcher Sumter 803-453-5178	<b>CASE IH 2160 COMBINE</b> \$24,000; JD 6700 highboy, \$22,500; JD 7300 Max Emerge plntr, \$6500; Btm plow, \$17,000; more LB Wannamaker Calhoun 803-707-1111
<b>CAT 1 &amp; ¾ PH</b> Quick hitch, LN, photo avail, \$195 David Grooms Dorchester 843-345-5608	<b>BOX BLADE</b> Frontier BB2072 w/scarifies, EC, \$900 Cal Norris Edgefield 864-378-2693	<b>5x7' TRL</b> \$700 Bobby Dennis Newberry 803-924-2118	<b>7700 JD COMBINE</b> \$4000; 918 flex hdr, finger p-up, \$3500; 4r corn hdr, \$1500 Glenn Fulmer Aiken 803-645-2831	<b>POTATO PLOW MIDDLE BUSTER</b> & 6' scrape blade, \$250 ea Marshall Oshields Union 864-426-8021	
		<b>16 DISC HARROW</b> pull type, GC, \$450 Gordon Hill Anderson 864-617-5413		<b>HARROWS &amp; BUSH HOG</b> \$100 ea; hay rake, \$200; hay trl, \$250 Gary Seay Spartanburg 864-578-8214	

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<b>PASTURE MGMT SERV</b> spray weeds, treat fire ants, fert & lime, plant pastures, Fescue, Ryegrass, Bermuda, Bahia Kenny Mullis Richland 803-331-6612	<b>LIME SPREADING</b> specialize in TN, call for prices Drake Kinley Anderson 864-353-9628	<b>LIGHT TRACTOR WORK</b> incl bush hogging, discing, cut up & removal of downed trees, light landscaping John Tanner Lexington 803-422-4714	<b>LEXCO TACK CLEANING</b> leather bridles, saddles, harnesses & accessories, your place or mine Laurie Knapp Lexington 803-317-7613	<b>HONEY BEE COLONIES</b> for rent, to increase your crop's yield Cameron Spath York 770-608-6103	<b>FORESTRY MULCHING</b> land clearing, wildlife, mgmt, ditches, grading, pond digging Jay Lowder Clarendon 803-473-0646

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Newberry  
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Deborah Worth  
Aiken  
803-605-4644

FREE RANGE EGGS  
brn, grn, blue, del to Marion, Dillon, Horry, Florence & Darlington Co, \$4/dz  
Nick Mosher  
Marion  
912-289-5575

PECANS  
shelled & in bags, \$10/lb  
F Rowe  
Newberry  
803-271-7768

PB BOAR KID BILLIES  
4-5 m/o, reg sire, can be reg, 50/50, wht/brown/spotted, \$350-400 ea  
Ray Hall  
Lexington  
803-307-1189

4 LRG NANNY  
& 1 lrg billy goats, oats, 1 pregnant & expecting soon, \$1100 for all  
Fernando Vasquez  
Fairfield  
803-553-5025

ANGORA GOATS  
mature buck, \$200; wethers, \$175; does, \$220  
Emily Simon  
Lancaster  
803-627-7850

MYOTONIC FAINTING GOATS  
reg, 9 m/o, 2 bucklings & 2 does, \$450 ea  
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Lexington  
803-391-6253

7 PURE NZ KIKO GOATS  
CDT, Famacha, reg not incl, \$300 ea  
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Greenville  
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SAVANNA KIKO DOELINGS  
\$150-200  
Bobby Page  
Spartanburg  
864-494-2501

¾ BOER ¾ MILK GOATS  
6 m/o billies, \$200 ea; 6 m/o nannies, \$200 ea  
Philip Poole  
Union  
864-427-1589

KATAHDIN RAM  
8 m/o, \$245  
Sam Rikard  
Lexington  
803-892-2630

MALE LAMBS  
<1 y/o, 100 lbs, \$150  
Ottis Wagner  
York  
704-609-4912

(3) 2 Y/O KIKO NANNIES  
& 2 y/o red/wht pure Boar buck, \$300 ea  
Terry Gibert  
Greenwood  
864-993-4212

ADGA NGN KID GOATS  
M/F, \$150-300  
Kathryn Wilson  
Spartanburg  
864-430-4547

JACOB RAMS  
7 m/o, 4 & 2 horned, \$250+; 50/50 Jacob/Finn rams, 1-2 y/o, 4 horned, blk, \$280  
Allan Clark  
Abbeville  
864-314-5226

100% NZ KIKO GOATS  
does, \$200+; bucks, \$300, ready for breeding  
Rickey Gainey  
Lancaster  
803-320-2239

REG BOAR BILLIE  
20 m/o, \$350  
Stanley Traylor  
York  
803-417-4834

NDG BUCK  
B-12/1/22, mostly blk w/ brn eyes, parents & grands w/blue eyed & hornless, \$125-150  
David Oser  
Dorchester  
843-557-5200

DORPER/KATAHDIN RAM  
2 y/o, proven breeder, lrg, blk/wht, \$275 or trade  
Tammy Hodge  
Sumter  
803-983-5041

HOGS / PIGS

FB BERKSHIRE PIGS  
7 w/o, 1F, 7 cut males, \$150 ea  
J Painter  
Spartanburg  
864-641-9855

WHITE PIGS  
\$80 ea  
Gary Alvshire  
Lexington  
803-530-4456

RED WATTLE PIGLETS  
8-12 w/o, \$100-125  
Ottis Wagner  
York  
704-609-4912

KUNEKUNE STUCK REDUCT  
y/o boar, 3 y/o sow, (3) 4 m/o pigs (1 gilt & 2 barrows), \$500  
Nan Caputo  
Colleton  
937-760-6152

BERKSHIRE GILTS  
& barrows, 12-14 w/o, 8 avail, \$100-\$150, depending on size/age  
Gary Jennings  
Chester  
803-374-0617

½ MULEFOOT ½ HRFRD BOAR  
9 m/o, piglets on ground, \$200  
James Doster  
Kershaw  
706-296-9495

TAMWORTH XL BLK CROSS PIGS  
1 boar, 3 barrows & 2 gilts, red w/blk spots, \$85, disc for multiple  
Philip Jordan  
Aiken  
678-963-6118

HAY & GRAIN

'22 HQ CB  
\$8/bale; rnd HQ CB, \$80; rnd CQ hay, \$40  
Ike Hardwick  
Darlington  
843-858-2103

25 BALES OATS HAY  
string wrap, shed kept, \$60/bale  
Harroll Stockman  
Newberry  
803-924-7878

'22 4x5 HQ CB  
net wrap, fert & lime, NR, shed kept, \$75, del avail for fee  
Eddie Chavis  
Barnwell  
803-671-3108

HAY BALES  
\$50+; Oat straw bales, \$20 ea; both 4x5 rnd & net wrap  
Plato Kneece  
Aiken  
803-582-8665

'22 SQ RYE STRAW  
\$6; rnd CB, net wrap, \$70; rnd Crabgrass, \$50; all shed kept  
Clayton Leaphart  
Lexington  
803-892-2642

CRAB GRASS & BAHIA GRASS  
53 bales avail, \$5/bale  
Tony Culick  
Williamsburg  
843-382-8550

SQ CB  
\$8/bale; sq rye straw, \$6/bale; 4x5 CB, \$65; 4x5 Crabgrass, \$48; shed kept  
Larry McCartha  
Lexington  
803-606-2499

WHEAT STRAW  
sq, \$5/bale  
Jason Nichols  
Saluda  
864-992-2753

'22 4x5 WHEAT  
& ryegrass, \$45; grass hay, \$40; both net wrap  
Charles Nichols  
Saluda  
864-445-8350

4x5' RND CQ HAY  
weed-free Bahia or mixed fescue, \$45  
Emily Simon  
Lancaster  
803-627-7850

'22 4x5 RND CB  
net wrap, NR, well fert, stored outside indiv on pallets, \$70/bale  
Eddie West  
Aiken  
803-507-8205

'22 4x5 RND CB  
HQ, \$60 ea; CQ, \$45 ea; both NR  
Carroll Harmon  
Lexington  
803-359-3956

HQ TIMOTHY ORCHARD MIX  
45 lb bales, \$13 ea, hay cubes of 21 bales, del can be arranged  
Joseph Henson  
York  
803-448-5287

'22 RYE STRAW  
precut, bright yellow, \$6/bale  
Edward Berger  
Dorchester  
843-832-9233

'22 4x5 CB  
net wrap, NR, \$75 ea  
Henry Welch  
Berkeley  
843-709-0488

'22 NET WRAP 4x5 HQ CB  
comm fert, \$60/roll  
Chris Collins  
Florence  
843-307-5917

'22 RND HQ CB  
net wrap, 4x54, in shed, \$70/bale; in field, \$60/bale, del avail for fee  
David Fulmer  
Orangeburg  
803-917-0467

'22 4x5 RND CB  
twine, stored, \$55; field, \$40  
Michael F Hallman  
Lexington  
803-657-5526

'22 SQ OAT STRAW BALES  
clean, \$5 ea  
Tom Fink  
Lexington  
803-622-4678

'22 4x5 HAY  
Brown top millet, crab grass mix, \$45 ea; CB mix, in barn, \$60 ea  
Danny Leitner  
Fairfield  
843-200-0887

'22 CB & TIFTON 85  
CQ, net wrap, lrg 5x5 bales, no del, \$50; Tifton 85, sq, \$5  
Ann Furtick  
Orangeburg  
803-707-4826

WHEAT STRAW  
4x5 net wrap, \$40 ea  
Richard Knight  
Kershaw  
803-427-6440

'22 4x54" RND CB CQ  
net wrap, well fert, shed kept, \$65, no del  
Rickey Meetze  
Lexington  
803-892-3573

'21 SD ALFALFA  
dairy qual, 3x4x8, 1600 lbs, \$380 ea, cash sales  
Chris Roux  
Cherokee  
864-906-5471

'22 HQ RND CB  
\$70; CQ rnd, \$55; HQ sq, \$8, all shed kept  
Eddie Phillips  
Sumter  
803-486-0081

91+ BALES OF 4x5 CB  
no litter, twine, \$55, take all lower price  
Stephen Plyler  
Chesterfield  
704-614-5269

'22 CB HAY  
& oat hay, all 4x5 net wrap & shed kept, \$64/bale  
Sam Rikard  
Lexington  
803-892-2630

'22 CRAB GRASS HAY  
1000 lb rnd bales, twine tied, \$40  
Joe Johnson  
Berkeley  
843-567-7774

CB 4x5 NET WRAP  
\$70 ea; sq, \$8 ea; 4x5 cow hay, \$50 ea; rye straw, \$6 ea, all shed kept  
Howard McCartha  
Lexington  
803-312-3316

PLANTS & FLOWERS

RABBITS

SEED

ADS ARE NOT ACCEPTED FROM COMMERCIAL NURSERIES, WHICH ARE DEFINED AS HAVING ANNUAL SALES OF \$5,000.

MONKEY GRASS  
aka Liriope, Hosta, \$4 ea; Iris, Daylily, \$5 ea; Hydrangea, Gardenia, \$10 ea  
Woody Ellenburg  
Pickens  
864-855-2565

OAK TREES  
5" T, \$10 ea  
Brian Gray  
Greenville  
864-908-9777

MO COTTONTAILS  
\$15 ea  
Milton Williams  
Aiken  
803-617-8672

REX  
all colors, yng, \$15 & \$20 ea; grown bucks, \$15 ea; LA cottontails, grown bucks, \$15 ea; does, \$25 ea; yng, \$15 ea  
Philip Poole  
Union  
864-427-1589

LA COTTONTAIL CROSSED  
on MS cane cutter, \$10 ea  
Danny Cook  
Newberry  
803-924-6953

LA COTTONTAILS  
\$10  
Duman Wicker  
Newberry  
803-537-7222

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SOYBEAN SEED  
Glyphosate tolerant, w/ no patent, cleaned in 50 lb bags, G-93%, D H SD + G-93%, \$20/bag  
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& timbers, priced according to Dim & cond, \$1+  
Barry Hossler  
Saluda  
803-622-3906

**PURPLE MARTIN GOURD RACKS**  
hay rake umbrella design, 12 gourd hangers, \$60; heads only, 16 hangers, \$70  
Pete Jordan  
Darlington  
843-332-3219

**RADIATOR**  
for IH 715 combine, \$300; new 5hp elec motor, bought for grain auger, will work w/anything, \$800  
Jason Nichols  
Saluda  
864-992-2753

**(2) 8.3×8×24 TIRES**  
new, AG Star 8 ply, \$360/both; tools for dehorning, hoof cleaning, more, \$25 ea or \$90/all  
George Whittle  
Edgefield  
803-275-3729

**FRT TINE TILLER**  
3.75 hp, GRC; 3'×3'×1½'T chick brooder, wire btm w/waste catch, more; 18" chainsaw, more; \$50 ea  
Fred Taylor  
Dorchester  
843-462-2289

**20 GAL AIR COMPRESSOR**  
\$100  
Bobby Dennis  
Newberry  
803-924-2118  
**CUSTOM BAND SAWED LUMBER**  
2×4×8', \$4.25; 2×4×16', \$8.50; 1×6×16f', \$6.40; 1×8×16', \$8.55  
Jason Fogle  
Orangeburg  
803-533-8703

**'19 KUBOTA DSL ZERO TURN**  
LN, 50 hrs, mod ZD 1011, \$12,500  
Jerry Comeaux  
Spartanburg  
864-992-3869

**67' JD LAWN TRACTOR**  
mod 110-112, deck w/metal rnd fenders & seat, \$675  
Greg Alewine  
Lee  
803-229-2322

**GRNHS SAFETY GLASS**  
76"×42"×1/4", 21 sheets, \$190 ea; barn lights, 12 ea, \$35/ea  
Jim Hammett  
Spartanburg  
864-357-1859

**34"×16' HOG PANELS**  
\$12 ea; hog feeders, \$100-125 ea; 3 roller cane mill, GC, \$600  
Terry Ulmer  
Hampton  
803-943-2011

**OLD COMP FARM BELL**  
old, #3, \$350; xl farm bell, w/wheel, comp, \$1200; #20 hash pots, \$200 ea; #15, \$150; more  
Perry Masters  
Greenville  
864-561-4792

**LOG SPLITTER**  
runs on tractor hyd, \$600  
Darnell Miller  
Aiken  
803-507-1926

**CARPENTER BEE TRAPS**  
to catch & dispose of them, sold & shipped in lots of 5 for \$85, shipping ppd  
William Timmerman  
Aiken  
803-640-6265

**ALUM IRRIG HDR PIPE**  
3000', \$2/ft  
John Walker  
Charleston  
843-830-5646

**USED NURSERY POTS**  
1 gal, 15¢; 2 gal, 25¢; 3 gal, 40¢; 5 gal, 65¢; 7 gal, 90¢  
Brian Gray  
Greenville  
864-908-9777

**WEDDING BUGGY**  
w/rubber on orig whls, brakes, LNC, folding top, shaves & dbl pole, \$3000  
Harry Isbell  
Anderson  
864-617-2627

**16×9-38 BKT TRACTOR TIRE**  
8 ply, new, \$675  
Edward Klugh  
Greenwood  
864-374-3162  
**6'-25'L 1×6" CEDAR LUMBER**  
cedar posts & utility poles, \$1-2.50/ft  
James Burns  
Laurens  
864-918-6308

**SAND CLAY & TOPSOIL**  
5 ton load, \$60/sand clay; \$80 /topsoil, del w/in 20 mi; rock or sand, \$2/mi del  
David Wannamaker  
Calhoun  
803-682-2117

**55 GAL FG DRUMS METAL**  
\$20 ea; plastic drums, 30 & 55 gal, solid tops, \$15 & \$20 ea; 275 gal Port tow tanks, \$50 ea  
Philip Poole  
Union  
864-427-1589

**(2) 20.8×38 TRACTOR TIRES**  
20% tread left, \$300 for set  
Joey Gunter  
Lexington  
803-920-1605

**275 PORT TANK**  
\$35; oil tank, \$75; bar joints, \$10 ea  
Gary Seay  
Spartanburg  
864-578-8214

**LRG SANDBLASTER**  
holds 250 lbs, stored inside, \$125; antiq oil dispenser, 50 gal, crank pump, GWC, \$275  
Edward Berger  
Dorchester  
843-832-9233

**RADIATOR**  
for JD 6620 combine, \$300  
Otto Williamson  
Williamsburg  
843-372-2692

**2 FRT WHL RIMS**  
for 1968 MF tractor, \$450 ea  
Guy Sanfratello  
Lexington  
803-360-6732

**90 GAL GATOR BED SPRYR**  
JD LP20853, \$800  
Cal Norris  
Edgefield  
864-378-2693

**POWERHOUSE GEN PH2100**  
\$200; 5 gal buckets w/lids, \$1.85; Budd alum whls, 11×24.5, \$95  
F Rowe  
Newberry  
803-271-7768

**HARDWOOD LUMBER**  
air dried 6 mon, 1×6×8' poplar, \$24 ea; 1×8×8' red & wht oak, \$40 ea  
R Anderson  
Greenville  
864-234-2918

**DSL WELDER/GEN**  
AC/DC, Miller Bobcat 250D, low hrs, 50' of leads, \$5500  
Stanley Taylor  
Chester  
803-789-5236

**ORGANIC WORM CASTINGS FERT**  
\$20/30 lb bag; bulk rates avail  
Maryann Little  
Lexington  
803-530-9219

**GOURDS**  
for Purple Martin bird houses or crafting needs, med, \$4; lrg, \$6  
Glen Clamp  
Lexington  
803-673-8013

**PORTABLE GRAIN BIN**  
6500 lb cap, GC, \$3400  
F Haniff  
Aiken  
803-645-3642

**HUSQVARNA RIDING LAWN MWR**  
hydro drive, 42" cut, 15 hp  
Kawasaki, new battery, belts, & blades, \$750 obo  
Otis Hembree  
Spartanburg  
864-316-1222  
**ITALIAN HONEY BEE PACKAGES**  
\$130; nucs, \$180; full hives, \$330  
Cameron Spath  
York  
770-608-6103

POULTRY

**2 BRONZE TOM TURKEYS**  
45 m/o, \$50 ea  
Barbara Long  
Lexington  
803-604-7377

**7 JERSEY GIANT ROOS**  
blk or grey,  
Karen Udensi  
Newberry  
803-940-0937

**NARRAGANSETT TOM TURKEY**  
yng, \$75  
Dennis Hoover  
Lee  
803-428-4426

**5 GUINEAS**  
full grown, \$75  
Bobby Mendenhall  
York  
803-684-4799

**COTURNIX**  
& Bobwhite quail, pictures, ages, & more info avail, min purchase \$40  
Landon Turner  
Richland  
803-272-6673

**PEACOCKS**  
2 India Blues, 2 Blk shoulders, \$75 ea  
Ricky Black  
Barnwell  
803-259-7474

**SWEATER STAGS**  
6 m/o, \$25; 9 m/o, \$50; 9 m/o Sweater/Keslo, \$50; Sweater hens, \$15-25  
Russell Goings  
Union  
864-426-2309

**INDIA BLUE PEAFOWL**  
4 m/o-4 y/o, F, \$50-80; M, \$80-150  
C Reynolds  
Lee  
803-428-5455

**BUFF ORPINGTON CHICKENS**  
just started laying, \$16 ea  
Mike Komar  
Lexington  
803-582-8132

**MIXED BREED TOM TURKEYS**  
full grown, for exp turkey owners, ready to breed in spring, \$25 ea  
Kathy Easter  
Lexington  
803-606-1400

**NARRAGANSETT**  
& Bronze Tom turkeys, '22 hatch, \$75 ea or both for \$125  
Jack F Smith  
Anderson  
864-309-1710

**GAME**  
Warhorse, Flarry Eye Greys, Hatch, Kelso, \$25+/hen; \$50+/roo  
Philip Poole  
Union  
864-427-1589

**7 GROWN ROOS**  
4 Blk Cooper Marans & 3 others, \$70 for all; OE Bantams, \$8 ea  
Robert Scarborough  
Sumter  
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flight & weather cond, \$5 ea  
John Reed  
Sumter  
803-464-5757

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\$20+; wht King pigeons, \$15 ea  
William Claxton  
Colleton  
843-909-4285

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\$10 ea; egg laying hens, \$25 ea  
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Anderson  
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**INDIA BLUE PEACOCK**  
6 m/o, friendly, \$200  
Jemima Fellows  
Aiken  
803-443-8572

**2 ADULT F PEACOCKS**  
India Blue, 4 y/o & poss 2 y/o, healthy, \$20/pr  
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Dorchester  
843-514-7553

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flight cond, \$5 ea  
Tom Fink  
Lexington  
803-622-4678

**NORTHERN BOBWHITE QUAIL**  
16+ w/o, flight cond, \$5  
Joey Gunter  
Lexington  
803-920-1605

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**SMALL TRLS**  
Mike McBride  
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6' or 7'  
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Charleston  
843-532-4683

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for 1200 Case IH plntr; call, no text  
Jeff Millen  
Chester  
803-209-0893

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for JD 3020; & left fender & canopy for JD 4620  
Ashley Rowe  
Newberry  
803-940-0860

**ELEC FUEL TANK PUMP**  
goes into 500 gal dsl tank  
Charles Nichols  
Saluda  
864-992-2753

**MF 520 TRANSPORT DISC**  
10-12'W, any cond, for parts  
Edward Berger  
Dorchester  
843-832-9233

**LDR FOR 4440 JD TRACTOR**  
& D7G w/KG blade & root rake  
Scott Langston  
Oconee  
864-723-0125

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EACH AD MUST LIST SPECIFIC ANIMALS.  
**WANT PIGEONS**  
or any unwanted poultry, reasonably priced  
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**ANY SIZE WASH POTS**  
syrup kettle, anvils, lrg coffee grinder, old lighting rod w/ balls & weathervane, more  
Perry Masters  
Greenville  
864-561-4792

**OLD FARM WAGON**  
w/good orig wood spoke whls, 1 or 2 horse  
Harry Isbell  
Anderson  
864-617-2627

**GAS LOG SPLITTER**  
reasonably priced  
Dan Coward  
Dillon  
843-472-8122

**5V CRIMP TIN**  
any metal items w/in 20 mi  
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Calhoun  
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**PURPLE MARTIN GOURDS**  
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# CLEMSON RESEARCHERS WORK TO IMPROVE ORGANIC SWEET POTATO PRODUCTION IN SC

BY DENISE ATTAWAY, CLEMSON UNIVERSITY

Organic farming continues to become more popular but offers South Carolina sweet potato farmers fewer options for controlling costly weeds and nematodes than do conventional farming methods.

To help give organic farmers new weapons to use against these pests, a team of Clemson University researchers has received a \$747,280 grant from the United States Department of Agriculture National Institute of Food and Agriculture’s (USDA-NIFA) Organic Transitions Program.

The research focuses on using anaerobic soil disinfestation, novel plastic mulch and sweet potato clones to control southern root-knot nematode and weed infestations in organic sweet potato production.

“Our long-term goal is to develop an integrated management approach in organic sweet potato production that combines these techniques,” said Matthew Cutulle, project director and Clemson weed scientist stationed at the Coastal Research and Education Center in Charleston, South Carolina. “Our research, Extension and outreach activities will lead to effective management strategies to increase sweet potato production.”

Anaerobic soil disinfestation (ASD) is a soil-borne disease management strategy proven effective against a wide range of pathogens in organically-grown crops.

In this study, researchers will evaluate ASD on sweet potato germplasm by screening 20 sweet potato clones in an ASD environment. These will include plant introductions and commercial germplasm that have either a bunched-type growth habit or resistance to southern root-knot nematode (SRKN), as well as commercial standards.

The impact of ASD with selected clones will be evaluated at the time of transplanting, 1, 2,

and 3 weeks after transplanting, and after ASD termination. Scientists will study local carbon sources for their ability to reduce the extent and population density of SRKN and weeds in sweet potato fields will also be studied.

Plastic mulch helps modulate soil temperature, reduce soil erosion, evaporation, fertilizer leaching and weed problems, as well as increase quality and yields. During this study, researchers will evaluate the impact of novel plastic materials to control weeds. They also will integrate best practices of

scientists and industry professionals in the Southeast and other regions in the United States through Cooperative Extension Service agents and outreach programs.

Other Clemson researchers involved in this study titled, “Organic Transitions: Improving Profitability of Organic Sweet potato through Pest Resistant Clones and Enhanced Anaerobic Soil Disinfestation” are Brian Ward, Churamani Khanal, Puskar Khanal, Julia Kerrigan and R. Karthikeyan. The study ends on Aug. 31, 2025.



Sweet potatoes are highly nutritious and are a staple in many diets including baby food. Information from the USDA shows sweet potatoes are higher in beta carotene than many other vegetables and are a source of potassium, fiber, as well as vitamins A and C.

Per capita consumption of fresh sweet potatoes in 2021 in the United States was around 6.3 pounds. Sweet potato production in the United States reached an estimated \$726.18 million in 2020.

ASD, plastic material and improved sweet potato lines to determine impact on weed infestation and nematode suppression.

Clones used in this study have improved resistance to both the southern root-knot nematode and weed infestation.

This study will be conducted on farms, as well as at the Coastal Research and Education Center and the United States Vegetable Lab in Charleston.

Researchers will evaluate ASD impact on soil microbial dynamics in sweet potato production systems. They also will conduct a cost-return analysis of ASD used in combination with improved plastic mulch and novel sweet potato germplasm compared to currently used management practices and sweet potato cultivars. Results and guidelines will be given to stakeholders,

Organic farming is environmentally friendly and is one of the fastest-growing sectors of American agriculture. However, costs involved are causing concern for producers. As part of this study, the researchers will provide a budget analysis to show how profits increase or decrease with the adoption of this alternative farming practice.

Other organic farming research conducted in the Clemson College of Agriculture, Forestry and Life Sciences includes a “Going Organic” when breeding pulse crops webinar series, organic vegetable production using carbon waste, multifunctional agriculture research in The Bottoms and more. For more information on organic farming research at Clemson, go to [news.clemson.edu/?s=Organic+Farming](https://news.clemson.edu/?s=Organic+Farming).

## SC FOOD BUSINESSES CAN NOW REGISTER ONLINE

COLUMBIA – The South Carolina Department of Agriculture has a new online registration portal to allow food businesses to apply and update their registration information electronically.

Registration with SCDA is required for persons or firms wishing to manufacture, prepare, repack, store or sell most foods wholesale to other businesses. Businesses that successfully complete the registration and inspection process will be issued a Registration Verification Certificate (RVC). In order to register, you must use an approved facility. A domestic kitchen is not an approved facility.

The new portal is active now at [rvfoodfacility.registration.agriculture.sc.gov/registration](https://rvfoodfacility.registration.agriculture.sc.gov/registration).



In order to apply online, you must first create a user profile and submit a new business request. After the new business request is reviewed, you will have access to the online RVC application. Once no additional information or revision is needed, an initial inspection will be scheduled with a regional inspector. The RVC will be issued pending the outcome of the initial inspection. Businesses are subject to routine unannounced inspections.

If you have questions about the application process or whether you need an RVC, please visit [agriculture.sc.gov](https://agriculture.sc.gov) and click “Food Safety” or email Emily Walker at [ewalker@scda.sc.gov](mailto:ewalker@scda.sc.gov).

SC STATE 1890 RESEARCH & EXTENSION OPENS \$5.3M COASTAL  
REGION RESEARCH & EDUCATION CENTER IN CHARLESTON

THE CENTER WAS DEVELOPED IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CITY OF CHARLESTON

BY SC STATE

CHARLESTON, S.C. – SC State University 1890 Research & Extension officially opened its newest community outreach facility, the Coastal Region Research & Education Center, in downtown Charleston on Thursday with a ribbon-cutting ceremony.

“As I think about what this building means,” South Carolina State University President Alexander Conyers said, “I can think of no better place to erect a building and plant our flag so that the community knows that South Carolina State is present -- so that the community knows after 125 years South Carolina State University still epitomizes that Bulldog tenacity.

“And Charleston, South Carolina, will allow us to do that,” Conyers said.

Located at 35 Lee St., the Coastal Region Research & Education Center boasts breathtaking views of the Cooper River and the iconic Arthur Ravenel Jr. Bridge. Federal funds, through the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), supported the construction of the \$5.3 million facility.

The Coastal Region Research & Education Center was built in a partnership between SC State and the City of Charleston.

The nearly 15,0000-square-foot structure includes:

- A food demonstration lab
- A computer lab
- A classroom
- A flexible multipurpose room
- A leadership training board room
- Offices with a featured collaborative workspace

Dr. Louis D. Whitesides, vice president and executive director for SC State 1890 Research &

Extension, said the facility would not have come to fruition without cooperation between SC State and the City of Charleston to ensure that the region’s people have a place to take advantage of lifelong learning opportunities. Charleston Mayor John Tecklenburg was among the dignitaries who spoke at Thursday’s grand opening and noted the city’s role in providing the 0.4 acres on which the center stands.

“We made you a pretty good deal, Mr. President,” Tecklenburg said, addressing Conyers. “This is land that was donated by the City of Charleston for \$1 to SC State for this facility to be right here in Charleston.

“We are going to enrich lives and community right here – SC State coming to Charleston – I am so excited and honored,” Tecklenburg said.

SC State Board of Trustees Chairman Douglas D. Gantt said his heart beamed with pride at the Coastal Region Research & Education Center’s opening.

“The moment embodies the spirit upon which South Carolina State University was founded – to empower individuals, families and communities to improve their quality of life,” Gantt said. “This facility represents more than stone and mortar.”

The chairman said the center will offer students who walk its hall a foundation for building better lives by way of SC State 1890’s youth development programs.

“Likewise, the facility will be the ideal space for our small minority agribusiness partners to receive training and technical assistance that will help to increase profits,” Gantt said. “The facility will also be a place where individuals and families can come

to gain hands-on experience in preparing healthy and nutritious foods.”

Like all SC State 1890 facilities around the state aiding communities in South Carolina, the Coastal Region Research & Education Center will be an invaluable resource for the city of Charleston and the surrounding communities served by SC State 1890 extension agents. While the Coastal Region’s reach expands to Dorchester, Berkeley and Georgetown counties, officials are delighted to call Charleston home.

The Coastal Region is among seven regional areas through which SC State 1890 serves the citizens of the state.

SC State 1890 Research & Extension provides an invaluable service to South Carolinians on behalf of SC State University and two of its most significant partners, the USDA and the South Carolina Department of Agriculture. The organization advances quality of life by providing services that focus on:

- Expanding the state’s nearly \$50 billion agriculture industry.
- Sustaining the state’s natural resources.
- Preparing leaders through 4-H youth development initiatives.
- Strengthening families and communities through health and wellness.
- Increasing opportunities of economic development, particularly for small businesses.
- Exposing youths and their families to advanced educational and or career opportunities in the food and fiber industries.

HOW CAN AGRITOURISM WORK FOR YOUR FARM?

ANNUAL CONFERENCE EXPLORES PEE DEE, TOPICS IN AGRITOURISM

The South Carolina Agritourism Association is excited to invite members and guests to the Pee Dee for the 2023 SCAA Annual Conference! The conference will include two days of touring outstanding agritourism farms and will feature fantastic educational speakers at each stop.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22

CONFERENCE SOCIAL

Staybridge Suites Hotel, 150 Westpark Drive, Florence, SC

- Registration, Silent Auction, Vendors, and Catered Dinner
- Welcome & Opening Remarks

MONDAY, JANUARY 23

FARM TOURS

- 8:30 am: Bus departs Staybridge Suites Hotel
- **Dorr Farms** – Sumter, SC  
*Educational Presentation Topics: Farm Store, Beekeeping & Bee Insurance on the Farm*
- **Judson Family Farms** – Sumter, SC  
*Educational Presentation Topics: Weddings, Events, Event Insurance & Alcohol on the Farm*

- **Moree’s Sporting Preserve** – Society Hill, SC  
*Educational Presentation Topics: Hunting, Fishing, Sporting Clays, & Other Recreation on the Farm*
- Dinner – Moree’s River Lodge

TUESDAY, JANUARY 24

FARM TOURS

- 8:30 am: Bus departs Staybridge Suites Hotel
- **Thompson Farm at Brickyard Plantation** – Conway, SC  
*Educational Presentation Topics: Glamping, School Field Trips, & Marketing on the Farm*
- **Lunch & SCAA Annual Meeting at Schoolhouse Restaurant** – Scranton, SC
- **Moore Farms & Botanical Garden** – Lake City, SC  
*Educational Presentation Topics: Events, Landscaping & Gardening on the Farm, Guided Tour of the Gardens*
- Bus returns Staybridge Suites Hotel

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Cost of the conference includes bus transportation and all meals and snacks.

- \$125 for SCAA members
- \$175 for Non-members

- Register online at [eventbrite.com/e/scagitourism-association-2023-annual-conferencetickets-468485933037](https://eventbrite.com/e/scagitourism-association-2023-annual-conferencetickets-468485933037) or by mail.
- Last date to register is January 8, 2023

CONFERENCE HOTEL

Staybridge Suites Hotel, 150 Westpark Drive, Florence, SC

- Room Rate: 1 King bed: \$124.00 / night
- 2 Queen beds: \$139.00 / night
- 2-bedroom suite 2 queen and 1 king: \$209.00 / night
- Special room rate honored until January 16, 2023
- Agritourism Conference room block code: SCA
- Call the hotel directly: 843-519-5200

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact:

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# CLEMSON AND S.C. STATE COLLABORATE TO BRING AGRABILITY TO SOUTH CAROLINA

BY DENISE ATTAWAY, CLEMSON UNIVERSITY

Aging and ailments limit some South Carolina farmers, but faculty and researchers at Clemson and South Carolina State universities are looking to help make agriculture accessible for people with disabilities.

South Carolina farmers are getting older with the average age being 58.2 years old and agriculture ranks among the most hazardous industries. To help improve the quality of life and cultivate independence for residents with disabilities, the United States Department of Agriculture National Institute of Food and Agriculture (USDA-NIFA) recently awarded a grant to Clemson and South Carolina State University, in conjunction with other organizations, to start an AgrAbility program in South Carolina.

The program will be led by faculty in Clemson’s Department of Agricultural Sciences and Cooperative Extension Service agents and researchers at both universities.

Dale Layfield, Clemson associate professor of agricultural education, said the AgrAbility program helps eliminate obstacles people with disabilities face in production agriculture or agriculture-related occupations. Disabilities impact about 15%–20% of the United States’ farming population.

“For some farmers, growing older makes handling everyday tasks more troublesome and they are eager to find helpful solutions to overcome these barriers,” Layfield said. “In addition, disabled individuals interested in agriculture also face the same challenges and seek resources that may offer solutions. This program will help the South Carolina agricultural community develop barrier-free farming.”

Disabilities affecting the farming population include amputations, arthritis, back impairment, deafness/hearing impairment, developmental



disabilities such as cerebral palsy or autism, disabling diseases such as cancer or heart disease, mental and behavioral issues, respiratory diseases, spinal cord injuries, stroke, traumatic brain injury and visual impairments.

Members from participating agencies will identify beginning and experienced farmers who have disabilities, including military veterans, minorities, underserved farmer groups, youth interested in farming and women. The South Carolina AgrAbility team will hold workshops, resource development, activities for online education, networking and site visits, as well as consultations and business planning. The team also will educate farmers, ranchers and laborers, and others about services and resources available to accommodate disabilities in the farming environment. In addition to Layfield, other Clemson team members are Lance Beecher, Hunter Massey and Aaron Turner.

The team also will provide information on how to use new technologies, instruction for the proper application and use of agriculture tools, and information on functional design to aid in using the tools, as well as how to prevent injuries in the agricultural workplace.

For more information about this program, contact Layfield at [dlayfie@clemson.edu](mailto:dlayfie@clemson.edu).

## ADDITIONAL COLLABORATION

The South Carolina AgrAbility Program is just one example of how Clemson and South Carolina State are working together to serve the state. The universities also have received \$70 million from the USDA to provide incentives to South Carolina farmers to implement climate-smart production practices. Both institutions have established strategic partnerships with 27 entities, and the project will focus on representative agricultural production sectors of South Carolina

and the Southeast, including vegetables, peanuts, beef cattle and forest products, and will ensure meaningful involvement of small and underserved producers.

In another collaborative effort, Cooperative Extension Service agents and researchers from both universities recently met for their first joint conference. They laid out plans for how they will collaborate to provide information to help improve the lives of people living in South Carolina.

“This collaboration between Clemson Extension and South Carolina State Extension will allow us to work together to provide even more valuable information and resources for South Carolina residents,” said Tom Dobbins, Clemson Extension director. “As we move forward, Clemson and South Carolina State will have a great working relationship without losing our identities.”

Edoe Agbodjan, associate Extension Administrator at South Carolina State said, “Working in Extension is not just a job, it’s something we take pride in. We don’t keep track of time. We just work. That’s because we want to make a difference. We look forward to this partnership with Clemson Extension and what it will allow us to do for South Carolina residents.”

In addition to Extension Service agents and researchers, other organizations participating in the program to bring AgrAbility to the state include Able South Carolina (Able SC), South Carolina Vocational Rehabilitation Department, South Carolina Department of Education (Office of Special Education), University of South Carolina Assistive Technology Program, Farmer Veteran Coalition of South Carolina and the Upstate Warrior Solution. These organizations will conduct training workshops and team up with engineers to create innovative solutions for overcoming the barriers to farming.



## NEW VETERANS PROGRAM SEEKS AGRIBUSINESS PARTNERS

The Palmetto Veterans in Agribusiness Program is actively seeking farmers, agriculture educators, and agribusiness organizations across South Carolina.

This program is part of The Department of Defense’s SkillBridge Program, which was established to help combat veteran unemployment. This program will help match interns with host farms/agribusinesses where the service member can learn about an industry and acquire skills that will assist them with their post-military job pursuit. SkillBridge participants are transitioning military service members that are in the final 180 days of service.

While there are a wide variety of industries represented in the SkillBridge program, there were very few opportunities in agriculture. Project

Victory Gardens, a South Carolina 501(c)3 organization dedicated to agricultural education, established the Palmetto Veterans in Agribusiness Program to aid transitioning service members interested in careers in agriculture.

As agriculture is such a vast industry, our applicants represent that diversity. While some are interested in learning basic farming and homesteading skills, others are looking for future positions in large agriculture operations. We work closely with the prospective intern to identify their program goals



and match them accordingly. With this in mind, we are looking for a diverse mix of farms and agribusinesses to add to our consortium of host farms. Whether you run a niche small farm, large commodity farm, specialty crop operation, forestry, value-added operation, or feed store, you could provide valuable addition to our consortium.

If you are interested in hosting an intern on your farm or agribusiness industry organization, please visit the Palmetto Veterans in Agribusiness website, [palmettovetsinag.org](http://palmettovetsinag.org), or email [projectvictorygardens@gmail.com](mailto:projectvictorygardens@gmail.com).